

# OFFICE OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR JULIANA STRATTON – LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

# RESTORE, REINVEST AND RENEW (R3) BOARD

Monday, January 13, 2020 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

## Location

Howard Brown Health Center 641 W. 63<sup>rd</sup> Street Chicago, IL 60621

# **Meeting Minutes**

Ex-Officio	Name	Present	Phone	Absent
Lt. Governor's Office	Juliana Stratton	Х		
Attorney General	Sharisse Kimbro	Х		
DCEO	Erin Guthrie		Х	
IDPH	Dr. Ngozi Ezike	Х		
IDOC	Rob Jeffreys		Х	
ICJIA	Jason Stamps	Х		
IDES/Designee	Thomas Chan		Χ	
DCFS/Designee	Dejanae Brown	Х		
ווס	Heidi Mueller	Χ		

Sec. Human Services	Grace B. Hou	х		
Ex-Officio	Name	Present	Phone	Absent
Maj. Senator	Kimberly Lightford	х		
Min. Senator	Jason Barickman		Х	
Maj. House	Jehan Gordon-Booth	X		
Min. House	Lindsay Parkhurst			X

12 members present. Quorum determined. Dartesia Pitts (General Counsel, Office of the Lieutenant Governor), Quinn Rallins (JEO Director, Office of the Lieutenant Governor), Emily Harwell (JEO Policy Coordinator, Office of the Lieutenant Governor), and Ariana Correa (JEO Program Manager, Office of the Lieutenant Governor) are in attendance.

#### I. Call to order and Roll Call

The call to order was made at 1:11 p.m. on January 13, 2020.

Dartesia Pitts took the roll call.

#### II. Approval of Agenda and November 18 Minutes

The approval of the agenda was motioned by Attorney General Kimbro and approved by Dr. Ngozi Ezike.

The approval of the November 18 Minutes was motioned by Dr. Ngozi Ezike and approved by Attorney General Kimbro.

## III. Chairperson's Remarks

Lieutenant Governor Stratton discussed that the R3 Program's eligible areas have been identified by the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority in coordination with the Justice, Equity, and Opportunity Initiative. She thanked Channyn Parker, Director of Strategic Partnerships for Howard Brown Health, and her colleagues for hosting the R3 Board at their facility in Englewood. The Board will receive a presentation of the eligible areas from Director Stamps.

#### IV. New Business

**Overview of Legislative Intent** 

Toi Hutchinson (Senior Advisor of Cannabis Control, Office of the Governor) and Representative Gordon-Booth addressed the intent to "repair the harm from the war on drugs".

### **Review of Statutory Provisions**

Director Stamps reviewed the statutory provisions with the Board and the analysis will focus on "disproportionately impacted areas" and the four criteria (highest rates of gun injury, unemployment, child poverty, and commitments to and returns from the Illinois Department of Corrections).

Robin Murphy (General Counsel, Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority) discussed the language within the statute which was provided by the DCEO to identify the areas eligible to be social equity applicants for access to the cannabis industry. The "disproportionately impacted areas" for R3 areas included, but are not limited to, the "disproportionately impacted areas" identified by the DCEO.

Justin Escamilla (Manager of the Center for Violence Prevention and Intervention Research) discussed the four criteria and data sources.

#### **Eligible Areas**

Director Stamps explained that there are over 3100 census tracts in Illinois. He presented a map of the 509 eligible areas for the R3 Program that were identified by the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority.

Lieutenant Governor Stratton entertained a motion by Director Mueller to designate the eligible areas which were timely identified by the Authority as the areas eligible to apply for R3 funding per the Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act. Secretary Hou seconded the motion.

Lieutenant Governor Stratton entertained a motion by Senator Barickman to temporarily delay the vote to designate the eligible areas. The motion failed.

The motion to approve the R3 eligible areas then passed. The motion passed unanimously.

The general counsel performed a roll call vote on the motion and the results were unanimous in favor.

#### V. Member Updates

Director Stamps provided the Board with an update on the R3 Program's technical assistance.

#### VI. Public Comments

Aisha Davis asked the Board how local groups are defined and whether the eligible area criterion considered gentrification.

Representative Gordon-Booth referred to the statute and legislative intent.

# VII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:05 p.m. on January 13, 2020.

The next meeting for the R3 Board is 2020 from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on March 3, 2020 at the Illinois State Library.